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In re Application of: Gang An et al.

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For: BIOMARKERS AND TARGETS FOR

DIAGNOSIS, PROGNOSIS AND MANAGEMENT OF PROSTATE, BREAST AND BLADDER CANCER Group Art Unit: 1642

Examiner: Stephen L. Rawlings, Ph.D.

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED NOVEMBER 22, 2004

Mail Stop Amendment

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Commissioner:

This paper is submitted in response to the Office Action dated November 22, 2004, for which the three-month date for response was February 22, 2005. A request for a two month extension to respond is included herewith. The extension will bring the due date to April 22, 2005 which is within the six month statutory period. The Commissioner is authorized to withdraw the \$450.00 fee under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 to 1.21 from *Fulbright & Jaworski, L.L.P.* Account No. 50-1212/UROC:018USD2.

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